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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY**: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.

**ACTION**: Notice of advisory committee meeting.

**SUMMARY**: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this constitutes notice of the upcoming meeting of the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) Grain Inspection Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee). The Advisory Committee meets twice annually to advise the GIPSA Administrator on the programs and services that GIPSA delivers under the U.S. Grain Standards Act. Recommendations by the Advisory Committee help GIPSA better meet the needs of its customers who operate in a dynamic and changing marketplace.

**DATES**: December 6, 2011, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and December 7, 2011, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**ADDRESS**: The Advisory Committee meeting will take place at the Embassy Suites Hotel-Portland Downtown, 319 SW Pine Street, Portland, Oregon, 97204.

Requests to orally address the Advisory Committee during the meeting or written comments may be sent to: Administrator, GIPSA, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., STOP 3601, Washington, D.C. 20250-3601. Requests and comments may also be faxed to (202) 690-2173.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**: Terri L. Henry by phone at (202)

205-8281 or by e-mail at Terri.L.Henry@usda.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**: The purpose of the Advisory Committee is to

provide advice to the GIPSA Administrator with respect to the implementation of the

U.S. Grain Standards Act (7 U.S.C. 71-87k). Information about the Advisory Committee

is available on the GIPSA website at http://www.gipsa.usda.gov. Under the section, "I

Want To...," select "Learn about the Grain Inspection Advisory Committee."

The agenda will include an overview of Federal Grain Inspection Service

operations, updated tonnage fee projections, international programs, sorghum odor,

moisture measurement, and the quality management program.

For a copy of the agenda please contact Terri L. Henry by phone at (202) 205-8281 or

by e-mail at Terri.L.Henry@usda.gov.

Public participation will be limited to written statements unless permission is received

from the Committee Chairperson to orally address the Advisory Committee. The

meeting will be open to the public.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication of program

information or related accommodations should contact Terri L. Henry at the telephone

number listed above.

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Acting Administrator

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration